

or substantially identically (along with the correction of any grammatical or formal errors in the claims being copied), Claims 1-4 of U.S. Patent No. 6,416,408, issued July 9, 2002, as follows:

--16. A method of playing a group participation wagering game in combination with an individual participation wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a group comprised of a plurality of entrants wherein each of said entrants has made a wager on an outcome of the individual participation wagering game and an additional wager to participate in the group participation wagering game;

determining whether a winning outcome is achieved in the individual participation wagering game wherein if a winning outcome is achieved in the individual participation wagering game, an individual prize amount is determined;

allocating a multiplier value to the group participation wagering game, said multiplier value allocated from a plurality of multiplier values capable of being applied to said individual prize amount, wherein each said entrant in the group participation wagering game who achieved a winning outcome in the individual participation wagering game is guaranteed to have said multiplier applied to said individual prize amount; and,

determining a total prize amount for each said entrant wherein each said entrant's total prize amount is equal to

said entrant's individual prize amount multiplied by said multiplier value.

17. The method of Claim 16, wherein a plurality of individual prize amounts are determined and each individual prize amount is multiplied by said multiplier value.

18. The method of playing a multiplier game in combination with a base game, said multiplier game being independent of said game, said method comprising the steps of:

making a wager on an outcome of the base game thereby enabling a player to participate in the multiplier game;

determining whether the outcome of the base game comprises a winning outcome for said player wherein a prize amount is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the base game;

allocating a multiplier value to the multiplier game, said multiplier value allocated from a plurality of multiplier values capable of being applied to said prize amount, wherein said player of the multiplier game is guaranteed to have said multiplier value applied to a prize amount won in the base game; and,

determining a total prize amount for said player in the multiplier game wherein said player's total prize amount is equal to said prize amount won in the base game multiplied by said multiplier value.

19. The method of Claim 18, wherein upon achieving a

winning outcome in the base game, said player is guaranteed to have a multiplier value applied to said prize amount won in the base game irrespective of having achieved a winning outcome in the multiplier game.--

Please add the following claims beyond those directly copied from Tracy et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,416,408, which are also submitted to recite interfering subject matter with Tracy et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,416,408:

--20. A method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

making a wager by a player on an outcome of the standard wagering game, with said player also participating in the collateral wagering game;

determining whether the outcome of the standard wagering game comprises a winning outcome for said player, wherein a prize amount for the standard wagering game is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral wagering game based upon the winning outcome in the standard wagering game;

determining a total prize value for said player in the collateral wagering game; and,

paying said player said prize amount as determined in the standard wagering game and said total prize value for the

collateral wagering game said player is entitled to receive.

21. The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 20, wherein said step of determining the total prize value for said player in the collateral wagering game comprises the step of multiplying the prize value allocated to the collateral wagering game by a number of winning shares said player has in the collateral wagering game.

22. A method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

making a wager by a player on an outcome of the standard wagering game, with said player also participating in the collateral wagering game;

determining whether the outcome of the standard wagering game comprises a winning outcome for said player, wherein a prize amount for the standard wagering game is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral wagering game based upon a parameter associated with the standard wagering game when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

determining a total prize amount for said player; and,

paying said player said total prize amount said player is entitled to receive.

23. The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 22, wherein said step for determining said total prize amount for said player comprises adding the prize amount won by said player in said standard wagering game to said prize value in said collateral wagering game multiplied by a number of winning shares owned by said player in the collateral wagering game.

24. A method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

making a wager by a player on an outcome of the standard wagering game, with said player also participating in the collateral wagering game;

determining whether the outcome of the standard wagering game comprises a winning outcome for said player, wherein a prize amount for the standard wagering game is determined when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

allocating a prize value to the collateral wagering game based upon a parameter associated with the standard wagering game when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard wagering game;

determining a total prize amount for said player, said total prize amount being based, at least in part, upon said prize amount for the standard wagering game; and,

paying said player said total prize amount said player is entitled to receive.

25. The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 24, wherein said step for determining said total prize amount for said player comprises adding the prize amount won by said player in said standard wagering game to said prize value in said collateral wagering game multiplied by a number of winning shares owned by said player in the collateral wagering game.

26. A method of playing a collateral group participation wagering game in combination with a standard individual participation wagering game, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a group comprised of a plurality of entrants wherein each of said entrants has made a wager on an outcome of the standard individual participation wagering game and an additional wager to participate in the collateral group participation wagering game;

determining whether a winning outcome is achieved in the standard individual participation wagering game wherein if a winning outcome is achieved in the standard individual participation wagering game, an individual prize amount is determined;

allocating a prize value to the collateral group parti-

cipation wagering game based upon a parameter associated with the standard individual participation wagering game when the winning outcome is achieved in the standard individual participation wagering game;

determining a total prize amount for each of said entrants, said total prize amount being based, at least in part, upon said individual prize amount for the standard individual participation wagering game; and,

paying each of said entrants said total prize amount said each of said entrants is entitled to receive.

27. The method of playing a collateral wagering game in combination with a standard wagering game according to Claim 25, wherein said step for determining said total prize amount for each of said entrants comprises adding the individual prize amount won by each of said entrants in said standard individual participation wagering game to said prize value in said collateral group participation wagering game multiplied by a number of winning shares owned by each of said entrants in the collateral group participation wagering game.--

REMARKS

Prior to an examination on the merits, entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

The present application is a continuation of application